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NORTH DAKOTA HOMELAND SECURITY ANTI-TERRORISM SUMMARY



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(North Dakota) Officials: Cache of illegal oil field waste found in North Dakota.

North Dakota Waste Management officials reported March 11 that hundreds of tubular filters were discovered in an abandoned building in the Town of Noonan, in what may be the State's biggest incident of illegal dumping of radioactive oil filter socks. Authorities are investigating the incident.

http://billingsgazette.com/news/state-and-regional/montana/officials-cache-of-illegal-oil-field-waste-found-in-north/article_b30d3c2b-1313-5c09-9054-7c6d3ca693e6.html

(North Dakota) Ice jams causing trouble on lower Little Missouri River. Ice jamming on the Little Missouri River north of Marmarth is causing trouble for at least one ranch family who lost corrals and livestock this week.

http://bismarcktribune.com/news/state-and-regional/ice-jams-causing-trouble-on-lower-little-missouri-river/article_9fcc8578-aaec-11e3-86d6-001a4bcf887a.html

(Fargo) 911 operators will soon take texts and calls. The Red River Regional Dispatch Center is gearing up for the a new digital 911 system that will allow callers to text emergency messages to 911.

<http://www.wday.com/event/article/id/94641/>

(North Dakota) Heart and Cannonball rivers at flood stage. The Heart River in Mandan and the Cannonball River at Breien are at flood stage, Morton County Emergency Manager Tom Doering said.

http://bismarcktribune.com/news/local/heart-and-cannonball-rivers-at-flood-stage/article_68c81cf0-a9fb-11e3-978e-0019bb2963f4.html

(North Dakota) ND oil patch planners push for ferry, less traffic. To combat increased highway troubles, an oil patch-area planning group is pushing to ferry cars and trucks across Lake Sakakawea, a move they say will help relieve traffic and accidents on nearby highways.

<http://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2014/mar/11/nd-oil-patch-planners-push-for-ferry-less-traffic/#ixzz2wEOblsPl>

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REGIONAL

(Montana; Wyoming) Flooding swells Montana rivers, washes out roads. The Montana governor declared a flood emergency March 9 after warm weather mixed with rain caused snow to melt rapidly and push streams and rivers over their banks, shutting off roads to towns, closing schools, and threatening to overcome protective dykes. National Guard members in Wyoming also worked to stack sandbags and divert flooding from a school and water treatment plant.

<http://www.abc6.com/story/24936965/governor-declares-flood-emergency-for-montana>

(Montana) Feds issue emergency order on oil shipments. The U.S. Department of Transportation expanded on its February 25 order requiring more stringent testing for oil shipments moving over rail lines by ordering companies to test the flash point and boiling point of crude to determine how likely it is to ignite within reason, and not to re-label crude as some other volatile product.

<http://www.kulr8.com/story/24904421/feds-issue-emergency-order-on-oilshipments>

(Montana) Avalanches once again close northwest Montana rail line. Burlington Northern Santa Fe obtained a permit from Glacier National Park in Montana for avalanche hazard mitigation due to a second avalanche-related closure for the rail line in less than a week March 6. A section of Highway 2 was also shut down as an avalanche precaution. <http://www.kaj18.com/news/avalanches-once-again-close-northwest-montana-rail-line/>

(Minnesota) No one hurt in Fergus Falls ethanol plant fire, explosion. Authorities are investigating the cause of a March 10 fire and explosion in the dryer building of the Green Plains Renewable Energy ethanol plant in Fergus Falls. The plant remained closed indefinitely while officials assessed the damage and determined how to resume operations. <http://www.inforum.com/event/article/id/428915/>

NATIONAL

(National) Recalled beef may have reached 35 states. U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) officials announced March 7 that beef recalled by Rancho Feeding Corp., in February may have reached thousands of retailers in 35 States.

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The USDA recalled 8.7 million pounds of beef products because the company processed diseased and unsound animals without the benefit of federal inspection, leaving the products unfit for human consumption.

<http://www.wisn.com/news/health/FDA-Tainted-recalled-beef-reached-35-states/24863320>

(National) Congress approves bill to limit flood insurance increases; Obama expected to sign it into law. A bipartisan bill to protect millions of Americans from potentially unaffordable increases in the cost of federal flood insurance won final congressional approval on Thursday.

<http://www.inforum.com/event/article/id/429228/>

INTERNATIONAL

(International) Siesta cyber espionage campaign targets many industries.

Researchers at Trend Micro discovered a cyberespionage campaign dubbed Siesta that is targeting several industries, including energy, financial services, healthcare, and defense. The campaign uses malware that enters dormancy at regular intervals and when active, sends out spoofed emails to various companies containing a malicious link that drops both a legitimate .pdf file and a malicious executable file. <http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=16490>

BANKING AND FINANCE INDUSTRY

Nothing Significant to Report

CHEMICAL AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SECTOR

Nothing Significant to Report

COMMERCIAL FACILITIES

(Wisconsin) Wisconsin Dells amusement park open again after roller coaster fall.

Wisconsin officials are investigating after a man fell from a roller coaster at Mount Olympus theme park in the Wisconsin Dells March 6, prompting the amusement park to close for several hours and the ride to shut down indefinitely while

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authorities investigate. <http://www.nbc15.com/home/headlines/Man-falls-off-of-Roller-Coaster-at-Mt-Olympus-Resort-248918561.html>

(New York) Rescuers search site of NY building collapse; seven dead. Rescuers continued to search March 13 for at least five people unaccounted for after a suspected gas line explosion caused two apartment buildings in New York City's Harlem area to collapse March 12. At least 7 people were killed and more than 60 others were injured. <http://www.reuters.com/article/2014/03/13/us-usa-newyork-collapse-idUSBREA2B11D20140313>

COMMUNICATIONS SECTOR

Nothing Significant to Report

CRITICAL MANUFACTURING

(National) 2012-'13 Jeep Grand Cherokee, Dodge Durango recalled to fix antilock brakes. Chrysler announced March 7 that it is recalling 25,250 model year 2012 and 2013 Jeep Grand Cherokee and Dodge Durango vehicles in order to correct a software issue that could reduce braking performance during certain sudden braking maneuvers. <http://www.edmunds.com/car-news/2012-13-jeep-grand-cherokee-dodge-durango-recalled-to-fix-antilock-brakes.html>

DEFENSE/ INDUSTRY BASE SECTOR

Nothing Significant to Report

EMERGENCY SERVICES

(Colorado) Colorado Man Could Sue Divers Who Saved Him From Submerged Car. A Colorado man, despite acknowledging that he's lucky to be alive after being trapped in a submerged car, has filed an intent to sue his rescuers for half a million dollars. <http://abcnews.go.com/US/colorado-man-sue-divers-saved-submerged-car/story?id=22848802>

ENERGY

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(Texas) Shell says Ho-Ho pipeline shut after leak in Texas. Royal Dutch Shell shut down its Houston-to-Houma (Ho-Ho) pipeline March 6 after construction crew members punctured the pipeline near Port Neches, Texas, releasing 364 barrels of crude oil. <http://wkzo.com/news/articles/2014/mar/07/shell-says-ho-ho-pipeline-shut-after-leak-in-texas/>

(West Virginia) Pipeline explosion caused by corrosion, lack of inspections, NTSB concludes. The U.S. National Transportation Safety Board released a report March 10 stating that a December 2012 Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation natural gas pipeline explosion in Sissonville was likely the result of corrosion and lack of inspection of the pipeline for almost 25 years. <http://www.charlestondaily.com/News/201403100088>

FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

Nothing Significant to Report

GOVERNMENT SECTOR (INCLUDING SCHOOLS AND UNIVERSITIES)

Nothing Significant to Report

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

(International) 'Dendroid' RAT trojanizes apps, enables compromise of Android devices. A researcher at Symantec reported discovering a new HTTPS remote access trojan (RAT) dubbed Dendroid for sale on underweb marketplaces. Dendroid allows attackers to add malicious code to legitimate Android apps in order to gain remote access to infected devices. <http://www.scmagazine.com/dendroid-rat-trojanizes-apps-enables-compromise-of-android-devices/article/337191/>

(International) Ransomware authors: We are not scammers, we don't need your files. Researchers at Symantec identified a version of the Trojan.Ransomscrip ransomware that encrypts victims' files and demands a ransom to decrypt them, but also offers to decrypt the files for free after a month has passed.

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<http://news.softpedia.com/news/Ransomware-Authors-We-Are-Not-Scammers-We-Don-t-Need-Your-Files-431053.shtml>

(International) Pwn2Own 2014: Firefox, Internet Explorer and Safari hacked on day one. The first day of the 2014 Pwn2Own security competition resulted in researchers identifying vulnerabilities in Internet Explorer, Firefox, Safari, and Adobe Flash and Reader, with participants being awarded \$400,000 in total for the discoveries. <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Pwn2Own-2014-Firefox-Internet-Explorer-and-Safari-Hacked-on-Day-One-432001.shtml>

PUBLIC HEALTH

(International) Pfizer recalls antidepressant after report of wrong drug in bottle. Pfizer Inc., initiated a voluntarily recall of 2 lots of its Effexor XR antidepressant, and 1 lot of a generic version of the drug sold by Greenstone LLC, citing a pharmacist's report that 1 bottle of the medication contained a capsule of a different medication. <http://www.reuters.com/article/2014/03/06/pfizer-recall-idUSL1N0M32M120140306>

(Iowa) Iowa DHS data breach of personal info. The Iowa Department of Human Services announced March 7 that 2,042 individuals were impacted by a breach of personal information related to some Polk County social work assessments after two workers used personal email accounts, personal storage accounts, and personal electronic devices for work purposes. The workers transmitted information through unsecured networks over a 5-year period starting in 2008. <http://www.cbs2iowa.com/news/features/top-stories/stories/iowa-dhs-data-breach-personal-info-25429.shtml>

TRANSPORTATION

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WATER AND DAMS

(Minnesota) Rogers water main break fixed after it drained 2 million gallons.

Crews worked to find and repair a broken 10-inch water main located in a pond in Rogers, Minnesota, that leaked about 2 million gallons of water before being shut off and repaired March 11. Earlier in the same week a water main also broke in Wayzata and shut down part of Highway 101 for several hours.

<http://www.startribune.com/local/west/249605931.html>

NORTH DAKOTA HOMELAND SECURITY CONTACTS

To report a homeland security incident, please contact your local law enforcement agency or one of these agencies: **North Dakota State and Local Intelligence Center:** 866-885-8295(IN ND ONLY); Email: ndslic@nd.gov; Fax: 701-328-8175 **State Radio:** 800-472-2121; **Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI):** 701-328-5500; **North Dakota Highway Patrol:** 701-328-2455; **US Attorney's Office Intel Analyst:** 701-297-7400; **Bismarck FBI:** 701-223-4875; **Fargo FBI:** 701-232-7241.

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